

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of managing and affecting an enterprise-wide network migration from one type of network to another type of network, the method comprising the steps of:

creating instances of databases for an enterprise-wide network migration from one type of network to another type of network, said databases ~~include~~ including a migration manager database, a billing and reporting database, an instance manager database, and a documentation and rules database, said migration manager database including that includes one entry for each client, machine, and device affected by the migration, and ~~a billing and reporting database~~ said instance manager database containing one entry for each instance of the migration manager database, and said documentation and rules database containing documentation and configurable rules common to all instances of the migration manager database;

gathering information on the organization, location, hardware, and software affected by said migration into the migration manager database;

building an inventory of the affected hardware and software using an inventory tracking tool or an inventory mailer;

determining hardware that needs to be ordered for the migration using the migration manager database;

ordering hardware and software for the migration based on said planning and said

inventory, using an inventory tool;

tracking and billing labor, hardware, and software as installed in said another type of network, using said migration manager database and said billing and reporting database; [[and]]

using said documentation and rules database to distribute updates of the documentation and configurable rules contained in the documentation and rules database to all of the instances of the migration manager database; and

wherein agents for said creating, gathering, building and tracking are enabled using an agent control facility.

2. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein said database for planning includes one entry for each device affected by the migration.
3. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, comprising the further step of transmitting the built inventory into the database for planning.
4. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein agents are enabled for all of said created instances.
5. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the agent control facility includes an agent control database.
6. (Original) A method according to Claim 5, wherein the agent control database performs the agent executions.

7. (Currently Amended) A system for managing and affecting an enterprise-wide network migration from one type of network to another type of network, the system comprising:

means for creating instances of databases for an enterprise-wide network migration from one type of network to another type of network, said databases ~~include~~ including a migration manager database, a billing and reporting database, an instance manager database, and a documentation and rules database, said migration manager database including that includes one entry for each client, machine and device affected by the migration, and a billing and reporting database said instance manager database containing one entry for each instance of the migration manager database, and said documentation and rules database containing documentation and configurable rules common to all instances of the migration manager database;

means for gathering information on the organization, location, hardware, and software affected by said migration into the migration manager database;

means for determining hardware that needs to be ordered for the migration using the migration manager database;

an inventory building tool for building an inventory of the affected hardware and software;

an inventory tool for ordering migration hardware and software for the migration based on said planning and said inventory;

means for tracking and billing labor, hardware, and software as installed in said another type of network, using said migration manager database and said billing and reporting database, and for using said documentation and rules database to distribute updates of the documentation and configurable rules contained in the documentation and rules database to all of the instances

of the migration manager database; and

an agent control facility for enabling agents for said creating, gathering, building and tracking.

8. (Original) A system according to Claim 7, wherein said database for planning includes one entry for each device affected by the migration.

9. (Original) A system according to Claim 7, further comprising means for transmitting the built inventory into the database for planning.

10. (Original) A system according to Claim 7, wherein the agent control facility enables agents for all of said created instances.

11. (Original) A system according to Claim 7, wherein the agent control facility includes an agent control database.

12. (Original) A system according to Claim 11, wherein the agent control database performs the agent executions.

13. (Currently Amended) A program storage device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for managing and affecting an enterprise-wide migration from one type of network to another type of network, said method steps comprising:

creating instances of databases for an enterprise-wide network migration from one type of network to another type of network, said databases ~~include~~ including a migration manager database, a billing and reporting database, an instance manager database, and a documentation and rules database, said migration manager database including that includes one entry for each client, machine and device affected by the migration, and ~~a billing and reporting database~~ said instance manager database containing one entry for each instance of the migration manager database, and said documentation and rules database containing documentation and configurable rules common to all instances of the migration manager database;

gathering information on the organization, location, hardware, and software affected by said migration into the migration manager database;

building an inventory of the affected hardware and software using an inventory tracking tool or an inventory mailer;

determining hardware that needs to be ordered for the migration using ~~eth~~ migration manager database;

ordering hardware and software for the migration based on said planning and said inventory, using an inventory tool;

tracking and billing labor, hardware, and software as installed in said another type of network, using said migration manager database and said billing and reporting database;

using said documentation and rules database to distribute updates of the documentation and configurable rules contained in the documentation and rules database to all of the instances of the migration manager database; and

wherein agents for said creating, gathering, building and tracking are enabled using an agent control facility.

14. (Original) A program storage device according to Claim 13, wherein said database for planning includes one entry for each device affected by the migration.

15. (Original) A program storage device according to Claim 13, wherein said method steps comprise the further step of transmitting the built inventory into the database for planning.

16. (Original) A program storage device according to Claim 13, wherein agents are enabled for all of said created instances.

17. (Original) A program storage device according to Claim 13, wherein the agent control facility includes an agent control database, and the agent control database performs the agent executions.

18. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein:

each of the entries in the migration manager database contains information about an owner, location and migration status, and

the step of gathering information includes the step of using a migration manager inventory-tracking tool to gather information about a client, machine and device and to transmit the gathered information to the migration manager database;

the step of building an inventory includes the steps of using a mobile migration manager inventory tracking tool to gather information about a client, machine and device, and sending the mobile migration manager inventory tracking tool to remote employees;

the databases further includes a migration manager inventory tracking mailer database

containing one entry for each remote employee who has been sent the mobile migration manger
manager inventory tracking tool;

the step of building an inventory further includes the steps of the mobile migration
manager inventory-tracking tool transmitting the information gathered by said mobile tool to the
mailer database, using an adapter by exception tool to gather information about a client, machine
and device, and mailing the adapter by exception tool to employees requiring migration upon
demand;

the databases further include an adapter by exception mailer database containing one
entry for each employee who has been sent the adapter by exception tool; and

the step of building the inventory further includes the step of the adapter by exception
tool transmitting to the adapter by exception mailer databases information gathered by the
adapter by exception tool.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (New) The method according to Claim 1, wherein:

the billing and reporting database contains in one place all information from all instances
of the migration manager database;

said databases further include:

a migration manager report repository database that contains billing reports and
snapshot data points to support a delta billing process, and

an agent control database that contains one entry for each instance of the
migration manager, and contains data processing agent scheduling; and

the agent control database performs agent executions.